APFA National President - Lori Bassani Biographical Information

Lori Bassani is currently serving as the 13th National President of the Association of Professional Flight Attendants (APFA), the Union representing 28,000 American Airlines Flight Attendants. APFA is currently in Section 6 bargaining and Lori is Chairperson of the negotiations committee. A 33-year veteran flight attendant, her flying career began in 1986.

Born in Germany and seeing the world at an early age as an army brat, she was introduced to flying, foreign cultures and languages. Prior to her election as APFA National President, Lori served in many Union leadership positions: within APFA, she has served as Strike Coordinator, Board of Director, Base President, Regional Representative, Executive Board member, and Public Relations; and, has consulted with several other labor unions in PR, communications and bargaining strategy. Prior to flying, she co-owned a PR/advertising agency. Lori is married and divides her time between her home in Seattle, Washington and Dallas, Texas, where the Association of Professional Flight Attendants is headquartered.

Experience

- National President, Association of Professional Flight Attendants July 2018 current
- APFA Union Positions: (Board of Director, Base President, Base Vice President, Executive Committee, Regional Representative, Public Relations, Public Affairs) - 1995-2007
- Labor Relations Consultant 2007-2014
- American Airlines Flight Attendant 1986-2018 (currently on Union Leave)

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Labor Relations Background

- APFA Local Strike Coordinator (Line FA SEA)
- APFA Local Vice Chairperson (VP-SEA)
- APFA Local Base Chairperson/Board of Director (President-SEA)
- APFA National Special Advisory Committee (SAC) to Negotiations 2001 Contract
- APFA National Ad Hoc/Executive Committee
- APFA National PR, Media Relations Director, Union Spokesperson
- APFA National Strategic Advisory Committee to Negotiations
- APFA National Division Representative/SBA Grievance Dept.
- APFA National Public Affairs: Media/Legislative/Labor Outreach
- APFA National Flight Attendant Coalition
- TWU-556 (Southwest FA's) Consultant
- UTD (United Teachers of Dade) Consultant
- **PFAA** (Northwest FA's) Consultant
- TWU-721 (Gaming Division/Wynn/Harrah's Casino Dealers) Consultant
- HNA-OPEIU (Hawaii Nurses' Assn.) Consultant
- AFT/OFNHP (Oregon Health Professionals) Consultant

Flight Attendant Credentials

- Domestic Flight Attendant (DFW, ORD, LAX, SFO)
- International Flight Attendant (IOR, SEA, SFO-I, DCA-I, JFK, LAX)
- Purser, TIFS, AIFS
- Foreign Language Speaker (SP, FR)